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2,432 POST OFFICES BACK IN OPERATION -- Nepszava, No 105, 7 May 49

Before the war there were 2,480 post offices throughout the country. About 97 percent of them were destroyed or damaged. By the end of 1945, 2,432 were put back into operation.

By the end of the second year of the three-year plan, 23,200 kilometers of telephone and telegraph wires were restored. In 1948, the capacity of the telephone centers was increased to handle 7,500 more subscribers. A total of 3,200 telephones will be installed in post offices throughout Hungary. By the end of the Five-Year Plan, 20 new post offices and 25 new substations will have been built. The radio network has been improved during the three-year plan, and in the course of the Five-Year Plan, two new 100-kilowatt transmitting stations and 12 new substations will also be established.

NEW TRANSMITTING STATION - Magyar Nemzet, No 117, 21 May 49

The construction of a new radio transmitting station of the Budapest II Petofi broadcasting station has begun just a few kilometers outside of Szolnok. The first 40 meters of the antenna have already been completed. The present Budapest II transmitting station, located at Lakihegy, has a capacity of 50 kilowatts. The new station will have a capacity of 135 kilowatts and will be built at a cost of 10 million forints.

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